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## BATTLE GOES TO A DRAW

Kid George, the fighting demon from Central, and Jack Thomas, the battling ghost from San Francisco, staged a ten round fight under the management of Doc Alston Monday night at the Star theater, before an enthusiastic but comparatively small crowd of fight-fans. The battle was declared a draw by referee Gammon.

The big smoke from Frisco was one of the most powerful specimens of brawn and muscle ever entering a ring in this city. He gave George a hard run and only in the last round did the white man put over some genuine tell-tale blows. Clinching was predominant at all times—for which the fans sent up a howl. Kid George did some good blocking, but his blows did not phase Thomas in the least, the big huskie smiling off the jabs.

The bout could easily have lasted ten rounds more as both men were on their feet, smiling and ready to fight to a finish.

The preliminaries were very good. Kid Pete of Lordsburg and a stranger from Phoenix mixed it hard for three good rounds. They made use of every minute and gave the fans some real excitement.

The local Kid Tracy and a fighter by the name of Tracy from Silver City worked out four rounds of clever boxing in which the local boy showed some speed. Tracy has the makings of a good little fighter. Two youngsters fought three rounds while George and Thomas were preparing for their entrance.

Nat Gammon refereed the fight to the satisfaction of all.

## COUNCIL MEETS MONDAY

The city council met Monday evening at which time routine business was transacted and several bills ordered paid. The session was adjourned until the coming Monday night (July 10th) at which time many important matters will come up for discussion.

## THE RACES

Monday afternoon on the track east of town Joe Olney's horse "Cy" captured first money in the saddle horse race. The Lazy B horse came second and "Three Legged Jack" entered by A. B. Deavers and owned by Dave Williams of Duncan came third.

There was a good crowd on the grounds and all enjoyed the event.

Tuesday afternoon Andrew Locklear's "Jud" stepped across the line for the top notch purse with "Cy" second and "Jack" third. This race took place following the baseball game.

A cow-pony race was matched Thursday morning between Joe Olney's pride and Dave Williams' Gila Monster. Mr. Olney's horse won by a few feet. The ponies were run for side bets. A big crowd took in the event.

The children's races were held in the afternoon at the ball park and were participated in by a host of youngsters. Dr. Crocker John Augustine and Dan Briel were on the committee for these races and ably handled their parts. A dozen or more small cash prizes were given the winners.

## THE BALL GAME

In a dream of a ball game (meaning a night mare,) the local athletes went down to defeat before the Bowie aggregation by a score of 15 to 7. The game was marked by long hitting and run making which at times could not be stopped. The grounds were in bad condition and the ball bounced hither and thither—mostly thither, foiling the outfielders. McMeans opened fire for Lordsburg but his arm gave out in the third round. Pat Barela took up the heaving and was relieved by Earl Kerr. Bowie went up in the air several times letting the locals get across the pan for seven tabs.

## HUNDREDS CELEBRATE HERE

Lordsburg Has Three Days of Celebration. Races, Ball Game, and Dances.

From all parts of the southwest, strangers and old friends of the town poured into Lordsburg for three days of celebration on July 3rd, 4th and 5th. Every event went off as per schedule and all had one big time. The cow-punchers and horsemen were in evidence and many a dry Arizonian strayed over the line for a drink over the bar and his "personal allowance."

The crowd was as orderly as could be expected, the officers being in evidence at all times for the general protection of the mobs which lined the streets from early morning to late at night.

The refreshment parlors, restaurants and stores did a thriving business.

The various committees of the events did good work in lining up their parts of the program and the crowd seemed well pleased with all the amusements.

## COW BOYS MIX IT

A general free-for-all fight took place out at the race track during the celebration on the 4th in which the participants were "hombres" large and small. The fight began over the possession of a saddle and continued until several men were well beaten up. Owing to the large number of contestants no names are mentioned. By Wednesday afternoon, however, the pugnacious feelings had subsided.

## BURRO ROPING

Perry Langford won first prize in the burro roping and Ed Fentiz second. The contest was staged both Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at the ball park with large crowds in attendance.

## Fourth of July Accidents

Boyd Wallace, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wallace was badly burned Tuesday when a package of fire crackers was ignited in his pockets and exploded. The boy was burned about the legs and hands. Jack Stephens was also burned about the hands and arms while extinguishing the blaze from the youngster.

Percy Brown was a victim of a collision with a Hupmobile touring car Tuesday evening. The car ran into the young man who was on his bicycle, knocking him to the ground and demolishing the wheel. His bruises, luckily, were not serious and he is able to be out.

Several other minor accidents were reported during the three days celebration but none were serious.

## Death of Mrs. Byron Scarborough

Mrs. Byron Scarborough, wife of a former resident of this city, died in Los Angeles Friday afternoon from valvular heart trouble with which she had been a sufferer for some time past. Her body was brought to this city Sunday. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church, Rev. Wheeler of Duncan pronouncing the last rites over the body. Interment was made in the Lordsburg cemetery. A large number of friends of the deceased paid their last respects to her memory.

Mrs. Scarborough is survived by her husband, who is a well known merchant of Copper Hill, near Globe, Ariz., and two young sons. Some years ago she resided here with her husband and had made a host of friends in this community, who, with the bereft mourn the loss of a loving wife and mother.

## Death of Rodeo Girl

Miss Willie Brabbin of Rodeo, N. M. died at the Hardin hotel Thursday evening from an attack of heart trouble. The young lady was accompanied by her parents who reside near Rodeo and who had been here several days. Deceased was 18 years of age. Her remains were shipped to her home today for burial.

## WILL LEAVE FOR COAST

F. V. Bush of the Western Liberal will leave Saturday for Los Angeles and San Francisco, California, for a two weeks' business and medical trip to receive treatment for an injured vertebra sustained several years ago in a mine accident. During his absence Clifford C. Blood of Silver City will be in charge of the Liberal. Jess Palmer will be on deck in the mechanical department as usual.

Mr. Blood has been a resident of Grant county for several years and is well known in this section. He was until recently a member of the faculty of the New Mexico Normal school and has done considerable journalistic work for newspapers and periodicals in New Mexico. For several years he has been editor of the "Normalite," the Silver City Normal publication.

During Mr. Bush's absence the people of Lordsburg will find Mr. Blood anxious to serve their interests and the Liberal will appreciate any courtesies extended him.

## Engineer Struck By Crane

W. A. Linder, a well known engineer on the Southern Pacific, was struck by a mail crane at Carne, N. M. below Deming, Sunday evening while bringing in a troop train. Mr. Linder's skull was fractured and injuries are such that little hope is held for his recovery. On the troop train at the time was a New Haven and Hartford locomotive engineer who brought the train on in to Deming. Wild rumors were published Wednesday that Mr. Linder had been shot by Mexican snipers.

## SCHILLER BROS. MAY LOCATE HERE

The Schiller Bros., of Kansas City, Mo. are contemplating establishing a wholesale liquor distributing house in Lordsburg and have taken an option on quarters here until the twelfth of the month. One of their representatives was in the city last week.

## TROOP TRAINS HERE

The early part of this week several troop trains carrying militiamen from Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and other states to the border passed thru here stopping for water and ice. The boys had a great time here and proceeded to buy out several stores during their three hours' sojourn. The most startling thing the militiamen commented upon while here was the high cost of living in the west. They simply couldn't get over it.

## AUTO RECOVERED IN DEMING

Constable Oscar Allen made a trip to Deming the last of the week bringing back with him L. H. Cheney and a Dodge touring car, which Cheney is charged with stealing from a local garage. The car was claimed by C. F. Schmidt of Miami, Ariz. Cheney will be arraigned before Judge Marsalis this week.

Dot Upshaw of Hachita will have a hearing in the local justice court Monday July 10 on a charge of defacing a brand.

## Miner Commits Suicide

The following appeared in Thursday's El Paso Times: John Scharek, a guest at the Green tree hotel on San Francisco street, registered from Lordsburg, N. M., was found dead in his room early last evening, shot through the head. A .38 caliber pistol with one shell discharged was found at his side. Scharek, who formerly was a miner, had had business connections with the First National Bank of Lordsburg, papers in his possession indicated. In 1904 he had declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. He was of Austrian birth.

## WOMAN CAPTURED IN PARKER MURDER

Sheriff Herbert J. McGrath received a telegram this morning from under-sheriff Schrimpsper of Hachita stating that the Mexican woman, who with her husband disappeared from the Parker ranch after the murder of William Parker and his wife, had been caught by the southern Grant county posse in Mexico. The woman refused to talk or give any information. Her husband is still at large. This is one of the most important finds since the dastardly murder and may result in the truth being learned.

Late beliefs from southern Grant county are that Mr. Parker and wife were murdered by the Mexican who was employed at his ranch. Only two horses and saddles were missing from the place and these the couple are believed to have taken. The man and woman were trailed by the posse into Mexico and it's likely that their capture will cast a light on the murder.

Later: Mr. Schrimpsper arrived here this afternoon with the woman en route to the county jail. It is alleged that the woman told the officers that the murder was committed by her husband "for meanness." She was apprehended while riding one of the Parker horses and saddles across the border.

The woman will have a hearing before Judge C.W. Marsalis here July 15th.

## HOMESTEADERS MAY LEAVE DURING WAR SCARE

The local land office has been informed that homesteaders may be granted permission to leave their ranches temporarily owing to conditions along the border, but that such absence will not count for residence on the land. The regular five months leave of absence will be allowed annually and will count as constructive residence on the land.

## HIGHLAND CATTLE CO. LOSES CASE

Word was received here the last of the week from Los Angeles to the effect that the Foster-Day Cattle Co. had been awarded \$20,000 damages in their suit against the Highland Cattle Company for the recovery of a forfeit sum for the purchase of the Lazy B outfit. Sam Foster, Ed Head, B. B. Ownby, F. R. Coon and others from this section were witnesses in the case when it was heard in Los Angeles.

## COUNCIL HAS SEVERAL PROBLEMS

One of the most important questions confronting the new city council has been the town lighting problem. At the request of several members of the council the Lordsburg Power Company has submitted figures for their approval and which may be taken into consideration whenever the council sees fit to take up the question of street lighting. Figures have been received from Deming and El Paso on the question which the townships will go over and compare with the local proposal.

The Lordsburg Power Company presented the council in writing a proposition of installing and maintaining a street lighting system for a period of not less than ten years on the basis of 50 lights at the following rates: price per year for each light, 32 candle power, \$19.65 moonlight schedule or \$23.80 for all night service. 40 c. p. \$21.80 moonlight schedule or \$27.00 for all night. 60 c. p. \$24.00 moonlight or \$30.00 all night service. The company also presented a verbal proposal to furnish electricity with no contract on a meter charge providing the city installed their own lighting system or to release the city from any contracts on the rate submitted in writing provided a lower price should ever be given by any parties, the said parties to reimburse the power company for the actual cost of installation of the lighting system. Councilman Olney has made investigations of town lighting in El Paso and other places and all this data is to be placed before the council whenever they take up the proposition.

The Liberal is informed that despite rumors to the contrary, the Lordsburg Power Company has paid the tax imposed by the council which went into effect the first of the month. The matter of taking the quarter section in which the power plant is situated into the corporate limits of this city will doubtless soon come up before the council.

## MOVE INTO HACHITA

Pague and Robertson, Tom and George Winkler, and families, Tom Upshaw and several other families from the Playas Valley have moved into Hachita awaiting a more stable Mexican situation. Several families from Walnut Wells have also moved into town.

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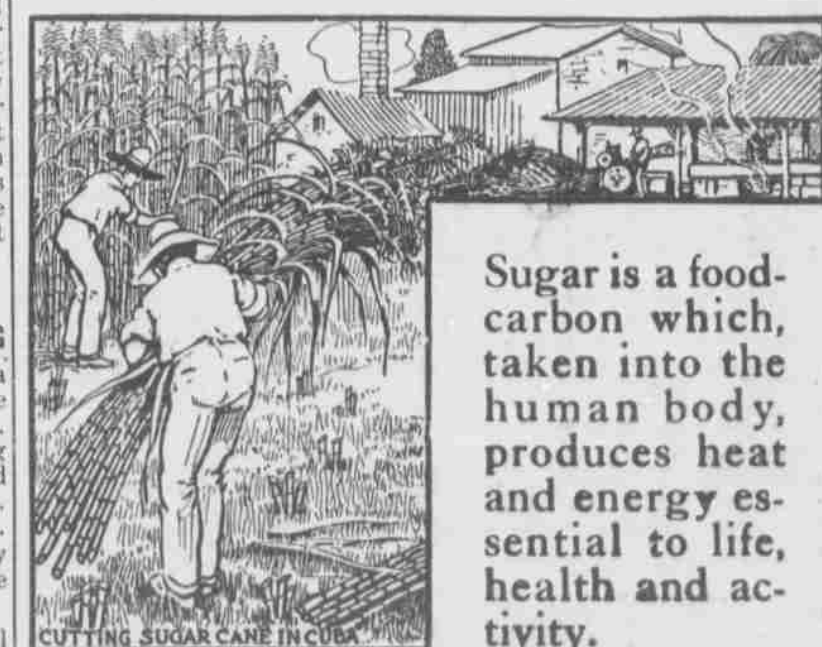
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